

CLAIMS:

1. A split-fingered glove comprising: a hand-receiving portion for receiving a hand; and, one or more padded finger-receiving portions extending from the hand-receiving portion, one or more of the finger-receiving portions having one or more flexible articulations at a back thereof and having a shield or shields over the one or more articulations to protect one or more finger joints, the shield or shields being engaged with and slidably constrained by the finger-receiving portion, the shield or shields sliding in response to curling and uncurling the hand.
2. The glove according to claim 1, wherein the shield slides between material that covers the glove and padding on the back of the finger-receiving portion.
3. The glove according to claim 1, wherein the shield slides within a sleeve of material formed into or onto material that covers the back of the finger-receiving portion.
4. The glove according to claim 1, wherein the shield is secured on one side of the one or more flexible articulations.
5. The glove according to claim 4, wherein the shield is secured by hooking an end of the shield over padding in the glove.
6. The glove according to claim 1, wherein the one or more padded finger-receiving portions is four padded finger-receiving portions.
7. The glove according to claim 6, wherein there is one shield per articulation.
8. The glove according to claim 6, wherein there are two overlapping shields per articulation.
9. The glove according to claim 6, wherein there is one shield per finger-receiving portion.

10. The glove according to claim 1, wherein the glove is a hockey glove.
11. A hockey glove comprising: a hand-receiving portion for receiving a hand; and, four padded finger-receiving portions extending from the hand-receiving portion, each finger-receiving portions having, at a back thereof, one flexible articulation having a shield or shields thereover to protect a finger joint, the shield or shields being engaged with and slidably constrained by the finger-receiving portion, the shield or shields sliding in response to curling and uncurling the hand.
12. The hockey glove according to claim 11, wherein the shield slides between material that covers the glove and padding on the back of the finger-receiving portion.
13. The hockey glove according to claim 11, wherein the shield slides within a sleeve of material formed into or onto material that covers the back of the finger-receiving portion.
14. The hockey glove according to claim 11, wherein the shield is secured on one side of the flexible articulation.
15. The hockey glove according to claim 14, wherein the shield is secured by hooking an end of the shield over padding in the glove.
16. The hockey glove according to claim 11, wherein the shield is two overlapping shields.
17. A hockey glove comprising: a hand-receiving portion for receiving a hand; and, four padded finger-receiving portions extending from the hand-receiving portion, each finger-receiving portions having, at a back thereof, two flexible articulations having a shield or shields thereover to protect a finger joint, the shield or shields being engaged with and slidably constrained by the finger-receiving portion, the shield or shields sliding in response to curling and uncurling the hand.

18. The hockey glove according to claim 17, wherein the shield slides between material that covers the glove and padding on the back of the finger-receiving portion.

19. The hockey glove according to claim 17, wherein the shield slides within a sleeve of material formed into or onto material that covers the back of the finger-receiving portion.

20. The hockey glove according to claim 17, wherein the shield is secured on one side of flexible articulations.

21. The hockey glove according to claim 20, wherein the shield is secured by hooking an end of the shield over padding in the glove.

22. The hockey glove according to claim 17, wherein the shield is two overlapping shields.